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SUBJECT: PRE-LICENSE CHECKS: BONA VION (PTY) LTD. AND
TRONAIR (PTY) LTD/POST SHIPMENT CHECKS: AFRONIX (PTY) LTD.,
RANDSBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

REF: OEA/CD SURVEY CASE NO. 3-198

1. SUMMARY. BONA VION, BOKSBURG AND TRONAIR, JOHANNESBURG
PLACED ORDERS FOR U.S. ORIGIN HIGH TECHNOLOGY SEMI-
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CONDUCTOR TEST SYSTEMS. AFRONIX APPEARS ON EXPORT LICENSE
APPLICATIONS AS PURCHASER. AFRONIX ALSO PURCHASER IN
CGS THERMODYNAMICS INVESTIGATIVE CASE WHERE SEMI-CONDUCTOR
MANUFACTURING/TESTING EQUIPMENT, TOTAL VALUE: ONE AND HALF
MILLION DOLLARS, DISAPPEARED FROM CGS JOHANNESBURG FACILITY
IN EARLY 1977. INVESTIGATION INDICATES GOODS TRANSHIPPED
TO PROSCRIBED DESTINATION. RECENT INFORMATION ON GREENWOOD

OF AFRONIX SUGGESTS COLLUSION WITH CGS PRINCIPALS. END SUMMARY.

2. DIGITEST CORP., DALLAS, TEXAS, APPLIED FOR EXPORT LICENSE (BTR CASE NO. A 304486) TO SHIP ONE SMC MODEL 3103 AUTOMATIC TEST FACILITY/ACCESSORIES, TOTAL VALUE: 286,071 DOLLARS, TO BONA VION (PTY) LTD., DORNIER ROAD, BOKSBURG.

3. AFRONIX (PTY) LTD., 6TH FLOOR TRUST BANK CENTRE, HILL STREET AND OAK AVENUE, RANDBURG, APPEARS AS PURCHASER.

4. STATED END-USE: GENERATION OF TEST PROGRAMS FOR DESIGN/ VERIFICATION OF DIGITAL CIRCUITS.

5. APPLICATION SUPPORTED BY CONSIGNEE/PURCHASER STATE- MENT SIGNED BY BONA VION PROVISIONING MGR. (SIGNATURE ILLEGIBLE) AND AFRONIX DIRECTOR W. GREENWOOD. N.B.: TOTAL VALUE SHOWN: 402,000 DOLLARS.

6. TERADYNE INT'L. INC., BOSTON, MASS. APPLIED FOR EXPORT LICENSE (BTR CASE NO. A305608) TO SHIP ONE MODEL L125A DIAGNOSTIC TEST SYSTEM/PARTS/ACCESSORIES, TOTAL VALUE: 135,920 DOLLARS, TO TRONAIR (PTY) LTD., HANGAR 20, RAND AIRPORT, JOHANNESBURG.

7. AFRONIX APPEARS ON APPLICATION AS PURCHASER. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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8. STATED END-USE: TESTING PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS.

9. APPLICATION SUPPORTED BY CONSIGNEE/PURCHASER STATE- MENT SIGNED BY TRONAIR MANAGING DIRECTOR (SIGNATURE ILLEGIBLE) AND AFRONIX DIRECTOR W. GREENWOOD.

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10. BACKGROUND. AFRONIX WAS PURCHASER IN CGS THERMO- DYNAMICS CASE WHERE ONE AND HALF MILLION DOLLARS WORTH U.S. ORIGIN HIGH TECHNOLOGY SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING/ TESTING EQUIPMENT DISAPPEARED FROM CGS FACILITY IN EARLY 1977. BILL GREENWOOD, AFRONIX MANAGING DIRECTOR, ACCOMPANIED FRANZ KLEYN AND HERMAN W.H. JAGAU OF CGS WHEN LATTER TWO VISITED AMCONGEN JOHANNESBURG DURING 1976 PRE-LICENSE CHECK (PRETORIA 5789, 12/12/76). DURING INTERVIEW, KLEYN AND JAGAU MADE FALSE AND MIS- LEADING STATEMENTS REGARDING END-USE LOCATION AND END-USER.

11. WHEN GOODS DISAPPEARED FROM CGS, GREENWOOD VOLUNTEERED ASSISTANCE TO CONVINCE CGS PRINCIPALS FULL DISCLOSURE NECESSARY. GREENWOOD INSISTED HE INNOCENT PARTY IN MATTER (PRETORIA 1795, 4/13/77).

12. DOCUMENTS PROVIDED BY CGS SCIENTIFIC CORP., U.S. PARENT OF CGS THERMODYNAMICS (PTY) LTD., INCLUDES MEMORANDA POINTING TO GREENWOOD COLLUSION WITH KLEYN

AND JAGAU. MEMORANDUM DATED JULY 6, 1977, COVERS TELECON BETWEEN CGS SCIENTIFIC PRESIDENT ROBERT GOLDFIELD AND MACRODATA INT'L. EXPORT MANAGER LOREN STEADMAN. DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION STEADMAN RELATED COMPLAINT OF ELECTROGLAS INC., ANOTHER CGS THERMODYNAMICS SUPPLIER. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TWO ELECTROGLAS LASER SCRIBERS SENT TO CGS (PTY) LTD. VIA ELECTROGLAS REPRESENTATIVE, AFRONIX, WERE MISSING. AFRONIX REPORTED TO ELECTROGLAS THAT EQUIPMENT DISAPPEARED FROM DOCKS.

13. MEMORANDUM DATED JULY 8, 1977 COVERED GOLDFIELD TELECON THAT DAY WITH MARA KRUGAR, KLEYN'S OFFICE MANAGER. KRUGAR TOLD GOLDFIELD THAT CGS (PTY.) LTD. RECEIVED TWO ELECTROGLAS LASER SCRIBERS FROM AFRONIX BUT WERE RETURNING THEM TO GREENWOOD UNTIL CGS (PTY.) RECEIVED PAYMENT FROM JAGAU.

14. OEA/CD INFORMANT PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION RE GREENWOOD PROCUREMENT ACTIVITY IN U.K. IN JULY, 1977, MR. SMALL OF GMS ELECTRONICS LTD., 86 COBHAM ROAD, WIMBOURNE, DORSET, APPROACHED MACRODATA U.K. REPRESENTATIVE FOR QUOTE ON INTEGRATED CIRCUIT TEST SYSTEM MODEL MD-104, VALUE: 250,000 DOLLARS.

15. FINANCIAL CHECK OF GMS DISCLOSED TWO SOUTH AFRICAN SHAREHOLDERS: RJ METCALFE, 11 SELKIRK AVENUE, BLAIRGOWRIE AND WILLIAM GREENWOOD, KENT AVENUE, RANDBURG.

16. MACRODATA REP., BROADLY FAMILIAR WITH CGS THERMODYNAMICS AFFAIR, BECAME SUSPICIOUS. CONFRONTED SMALL. WHEN PRESSED FOR END-USE/USER DETAILS, SMALL ADMITTED HE DIDN'T KNOW INTENDED DESTINATION. ONLY KNEW GREENWOOD WANTED SYSTEM. ACTED ON GREENWOOD'S INSTRUCTIONS. NOTE: OEA RECORDS DO NOT REFLECT COMPLETION OF TRANSACTION. END BACKGROUND.

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17. TERADYNE (SEE PARAGRAPH SIX ABOVE) NOTIFIED OEA/CD THAT AUDIT THEIR RECORDS DISCLOSED THREE UNAUTHORIZED REEXPORTS IN 1973-74 BY TERADYNE U.K. DISTRIBUTOR TO TERADYNE SOUTH AFRICAN REPRESENTATIVE. CHARLES A. MOSS, FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX, U.K., TRANSSHIPPED SEMI-CONDUCTOR TEST SYSTEMS, TOTAL VALUE: 251,513 DOLLARS, TO AFRONIX.

18. LUFTHANSA AIR WAYBILL NO. 220-1774-0855, DATED JANUARY 3, 1974, COVERED ONE MODEL T-347100 TRANSISTOR TEST INSTRUMENT WITH ACCESSORIES, VALUE: 60,818 DOLLARS. AFRONIX ORDER NO. 034/TERADYNE INVOICE NO. 02003, DATED 12/27/73 COVERED TRANSACTION. AFRONIX CUSTOMER WAS STANDARD TELEPHONE AND CABLE PTY. LTD. (STC).

19. BRITISH AIRWAYS AIR WAYBILL NO. 125-3188-4182, DATED 12/24/74, COVERED ONE J2738 TEST SYSTEM, VALUE: 84,779 DOLLARS. AFRONIX ORDER NO. 167/TERADYNE INVOICE NO. 02548, DATED 12/18/74 COVERED TRANSACTION. AFRONIX CUSTOMER WAS SIEMENS PTY.

20. BRITISH AIRWAYS AIR WAYBILL NO. 125-0519-8185, DATED 7/14/75, COVERED ONE W311 LASER ADJUST SYSTEM WITH PARTS, VALUE: 105,916 DOLLARS. AFRONIX ORDER NO. 225/TERADYNE INVOICE NO. 02855T, DATED 7/7/75 COVERED TRANSACTION. AFRONIX CUSTOMER WAS FUCH ELECTRONICS.

21. IN JULY 1977, TERADYNE (U.K.) EMPLOYEE DAVID DYCHE VISITED SOUTH AFRICA. INSPECTED T347 SYSTEM (SERIAL NO. T34505) AT STANDARD TELEPHONE (SEE PARAGRAPH EIGHTEEN ABOVE), BOKSBURG, TRANSVAAL IN OPERATION TESTING WAFERS, FINISHED TRANSISTORS AND DIODES. INSPECTED J233B SYSTEM (SERIAL NO. 448054) AT SIEMENS (PTY) LTD. (SEE PARAGRAPH NINETEEN ABOVE), KOEDSPORT, PRETORIA IN OPERATION TESTING CONSUMER LINEAR TV/RADIO INTEGRATED CIRCUITS AND ODD NUMBER OP AMPS. (OP AMPS OR OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS

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ARE INTEGRATED CIRCUITS THAT HAVE WIDE RANGE OF USES INCLUDING COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTATION.) INTEGRATED CIRCUITS ARE THEN SHIPPED "EVERYWHERE IN THE WORLD".

22. DYCHE'S REPORT DID NOT MENTION FUCH'S W311 SYSTEM MENTIONED PARAGRAPH TWENTY ABOVE.

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ACTION REQUESTED:

23. CONTACT BONA VION AND TRONAIR. DETERMINE BONA FIDES
RESPECTIVE TRANSACTIONS.

24. CONTACT GREENWOOD AT AFRONIX. ASK TO SEE PURCHASE
ORDERS FROM BONA VION AND TRONAIR.

25. REQUEST THAT HE PROVIDE INFORMATION/DOCUMENTS RE
SALES OF SYSTEMS MENTIONED ABOVE IN PARAGRAPHS EIGHTEEN
THROUGH TWENTY. ASK HIM FOR INTRODUCTIONS TO THREE FIRMS
FOR EMBASSY OFFICER VISITS TO VIEW RESPECTIVE SYSTEMS.
REQUEST EMBASSY OFFICER VISIT FIRMS.

26. GREENWOOD SHOULD ALSO BE ASKED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION
ON "MISSING" ELECTROGLAS EQUIPMENT MENTIONED ABOVE IN
PARAGRAPHS TWELVE AND THIRTEEN.

27. OBTAIN DETAILS OF PROPOSED TRANSACTION INVOLVING
GMS PROCUREMENT EFFORT MENTIONED ABOVE IN PARAGRAPHS
FOURTEEN THROUGH SIXTEEN. WAS OR IS JAGAU A GMS
CUSTOMER, EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY?
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NOTE: JAGAU, A WEST GERMAN NATIONAL RESIDING IN
BUCHHOLZ, FRG, REPORTEDLY MAKES FREQUENT BUSINESS TRIPS
TO THE U.K. AND FINLAND.

28. REQUEST EMBASSY CABLE RESULTS PRE-LICENSE CHECKS
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